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OF THE  
MONTANA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH AND GAME  

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TO THE  
GOVERNOR OF MONTANA  
HONORABLE  
THOMAS L. JUDGE  
For Fiscal Year  
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DEPARTMENT OF

FISH AND GAME

Helena, Montana

The Honorable Thomas L. Judge  
Governor, State of Montana  
Helena, Montana

Dear Governor Judge:

In accordance with the requirements of Section 82-4002 R.C.M., 1947, this report from the Montana Department of Fish and Game is respectfully transmitted to you. The report briefly summarizes the department's activities, goals and accomplishments for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1973.

Major accomplishments during the year include:

- Implementation of executive reorganization;
- Initiation of a planning program to improve effectiveness of the department through planned coordination;
- Initiation of a program to resolve ecological questions related to coal and energy development.

Sincerely,

WESLEY R. WOODGERD  
STATE FISH AND GAME DIRECTOR

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PRINCIPAL OFFICES AND OFFICERS

July 1, 1972 - June 30, 1973

MONTANA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

The Montana Fish and Game Commission consists of five members appointed by the Governor with concurrence of the Senate. The appointments are made from five districts established by law. At least one member of the commission must be experienced in the breeding and management of domestic livestock and at least one member must be an attorney licensed to practice law in this state.

Three of the commissioners shall be appointed to serve for terms concurrent with the gubernatorial term and until their successors are appointed and qualified. The remaining members shall be appointed to serve terms ending on the first day of the third January of the succeeding gubernatorial term.

The State Fish and Game Director shall be appointed by the Governor and serve a term concurrent with the Governor's term.

<u>Commissioners</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Appointed</u>
Willis B. Jones Chairman	Suite 410, Petroleum Building, Billings	February 17, 1971
Arnold Rieder Vice-chairman	North of Boulder Boulder	March 23, 1971
Arthur C. Hagenston	Box 1089, Glendive	January 9, 1973
Joseph J. Klabunde	Box E, Havre	November 21, 1972
W. Leslie Pengelly	420 Hastings, Missoula	January 9, 1973





PRINCIPAL OFFICES AND OFFICERS (continued)

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Wesley R. Woodgerd Director	301 Geddis Helena
Keith A. Freseman Deputy Director	403 South Fee Helena

DIVISION ADMINISTRATORS

Don L. Brown Administrator, Planning Division	1116 S. Pinecrest Bozeman
Ronald W. Egeland Administrator, Centralized Services Division	1710 8th Avenue Helena
Wynn G. Freeman Administrator, Game Management Division	1705 Broadway Helena
Orville W. Lewis Administrator, Law Enforcement Division	5285 Kerr Lane Helena
James A. Posewitz Administrator, Environment and Information Division	528 Madison Helena
Ashley Roberts Administrator, Recreation and Parks Division	1323 Broadway Helena
Arthur N. Whitney Administrator, Fisheries Division	2010 Jerome Place Helena

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Sam W. Mitchell Building, Helena

ADMINISTRATION

In order to simplify administrative functions, the state is divided into seven regions with headquarters in Kalispell (Region 1), Missoula (Region 2), Bozeman (Region 3), Great Falls (Region 4), Billings (Region 5), Glasgow (Region 6), and Miles City (Region 7).



PRINCIPAL OFFICES AND OFFICERS (continued)

Division administrators compose the director's staff. The staff plans, coordinates, and budgets for various activities of the department under direct supervision of the director. Regional coordinators supervise programs planned by the director's staff and approved by the director.

The Montana Department of Fish and Game operates a budget funded from several sources. The primary source of income for the department is the sale of hunting and fishing licenses.

The second major source of income is taxes on sports hunting and fishing equipment. Federal excise taxes on sport firearms and ammunition compose the Pitman-Robertson fund, and similar taxes on fishing equipment supply Dingell-Johnson funds. These funds are administered to the states on a matching basis, 75% federal and 25% state. The size of the allotments depends on the size of the state and the total license sales.

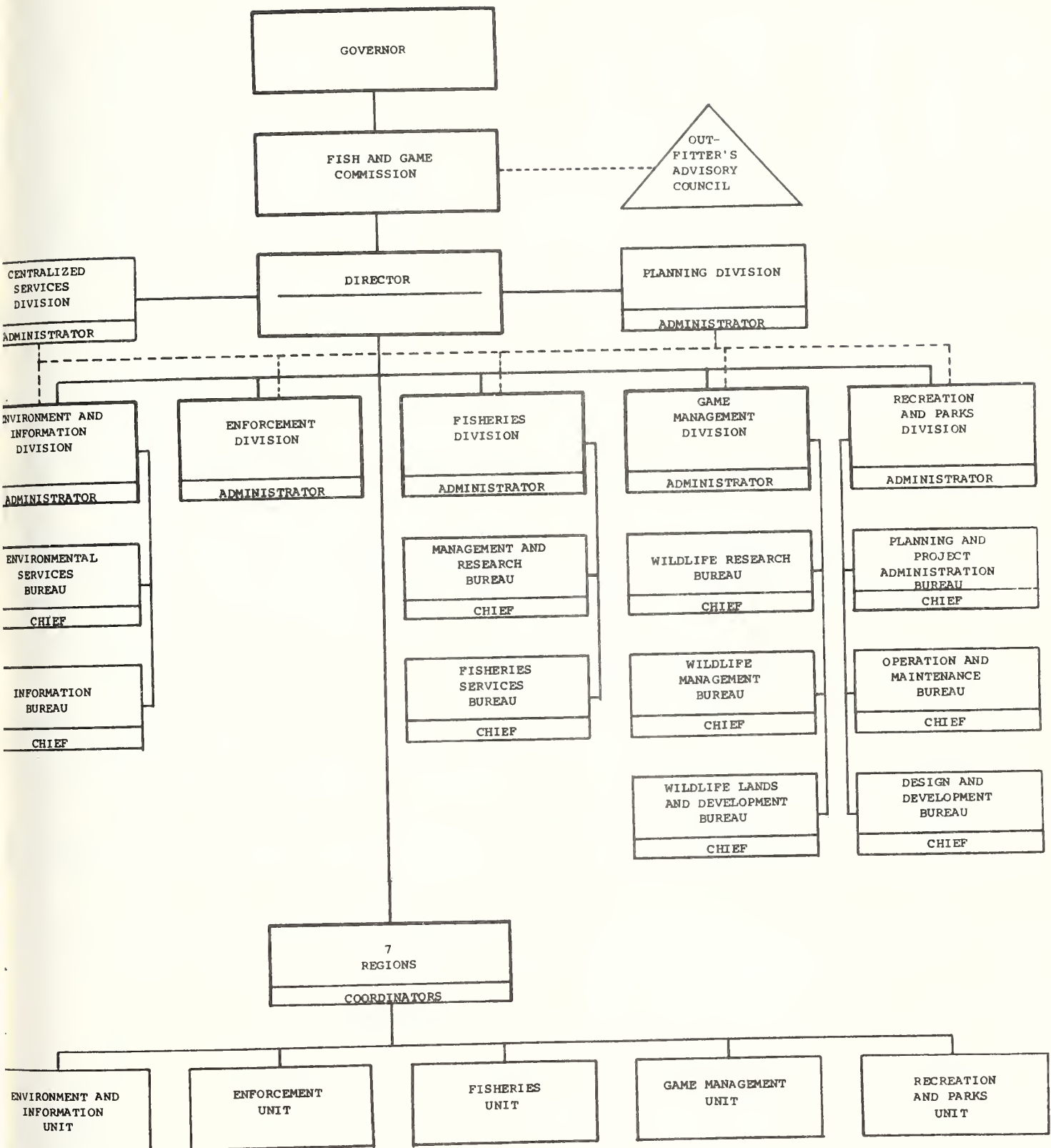
Other sources of funding are by appropriation from the general fund and the long-range building fund. These appropriations help acquire, develop and maintain certain state parks, recreation areas and monuments.

Lastly, the department has obtained within the last few years financial aid from the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation and certain other federal agencies.

Attached for Administrative Purposes Only

Outfitter's Advisory Council  
Historic Sites and Antiquities Advisory Council





ORGANIZATION CHART

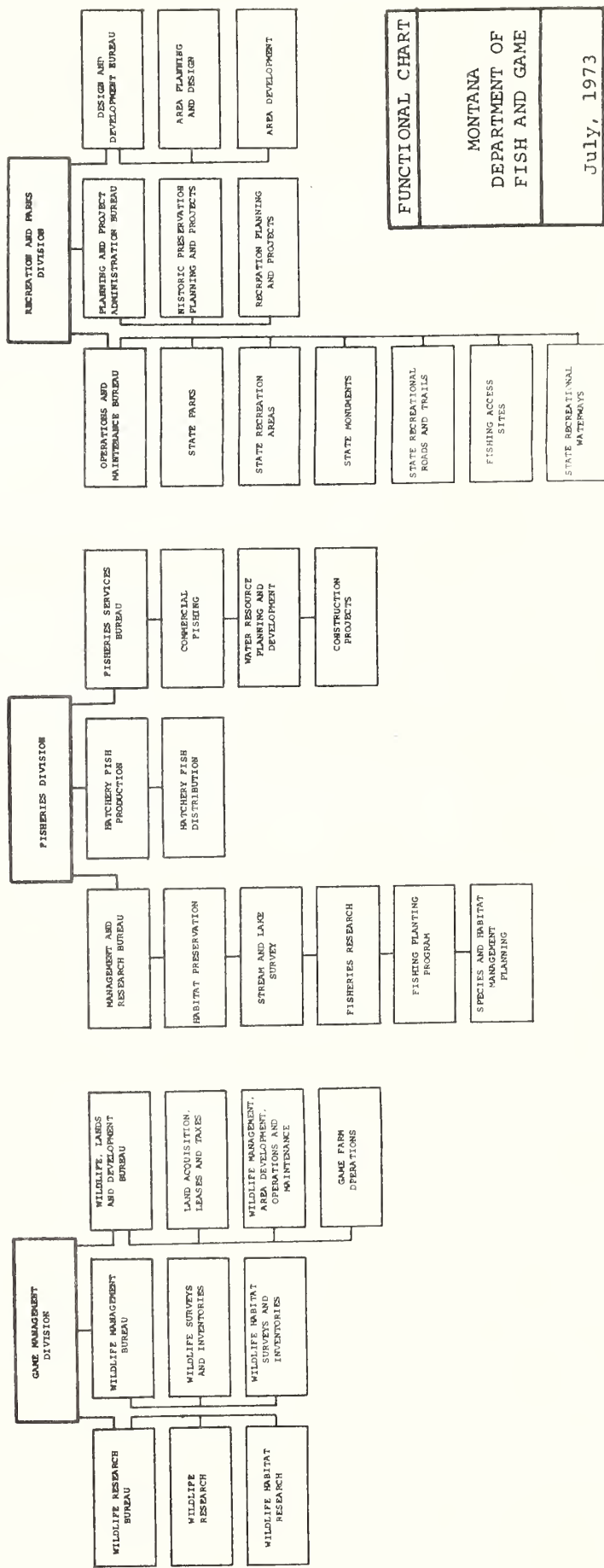
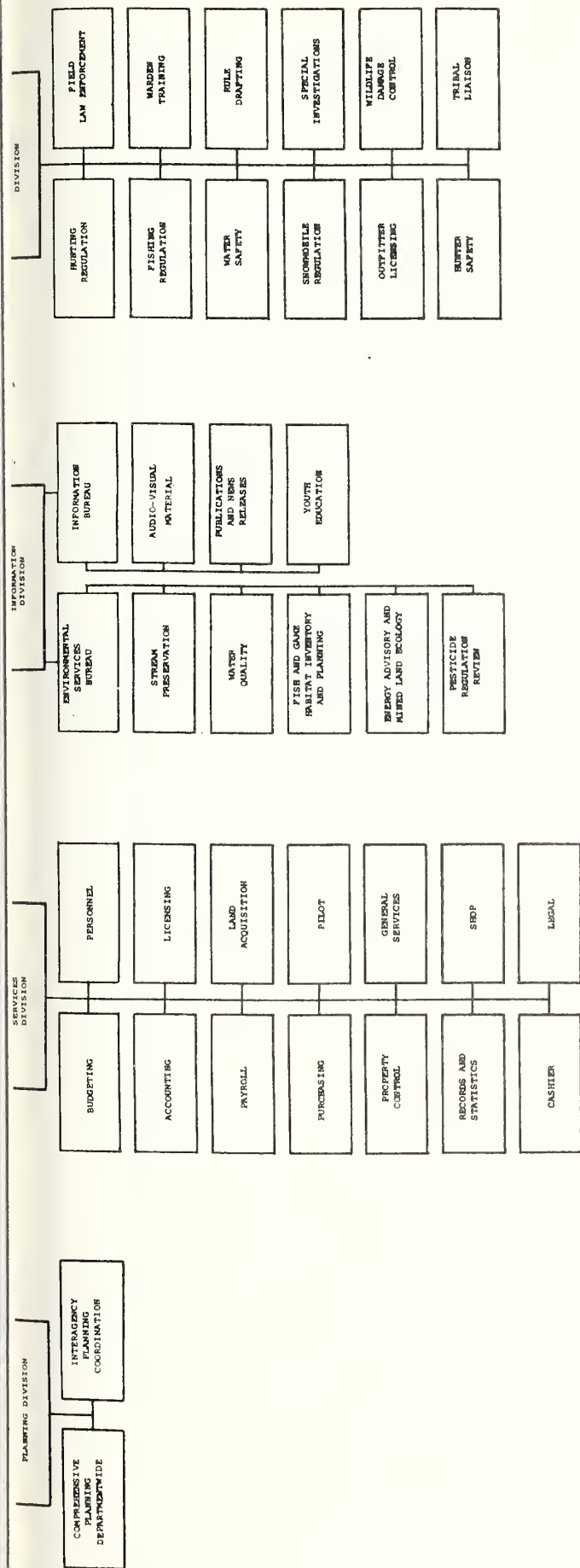
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DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND GAME

July, 1973

*W. H. H. H.*  
Director

*John J. ...*  
Governor









## LEGAL REFERENCES

The Department of Fish and Game has been established under Executive Order by the Governor effective July 1, 1972. Sections 82A-2001 through 82A-2004 create the department and its functions.

Statutes concerning the operation of the Department of Fish and Game are contained in sections 26-101 through 26-1705; also sections 32-21-113, 32-4410 and 32-2601. Sections in the 62- series relate to operation of state parks. Other sections in the codes which are involved in department operation are dredge mining and preservation of lands -- sections 50-1101 through 50-1114. These sections were enacted by the 1969 legislature.

The department is also charged with the enforcement of snowmobile legislation, enacted in 1971 (sections 53-1012 through 53-1028) and with enforcement of motorboat and vessel regulations under sections 69-3501 through 3518.

Other sections of the codes with which the department is concerned are 83-113 -- consent to migratory bird reservations and 89- series -- water rights; also sections 94-3308, 94-3309 and 95-35-269.



## PRINCIPAL GOALS

Provide effective utilization of Montana's fish and wildlife resources compatible with the ability of such resources to perpetuate.

Insure that habitat supporting fish and wildlife populations is not degraded.

Provide quality outdoor recreation opportunities consistent with environmental preservation and proper management of fish and wildlife.



## MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### 1. Executive Reorganization

Executive reorganization has been implemented and a new division of planning provided for long-range planning and coordination.

### 2. Fish-Wildlife Management

Manage fish and wildlife resources for optimum yield and recreation value.

### 3. Coal and Energy

Initiated a program to deal with ecological complexities resulting from the development of coal and other energy sources.

### 4. Public Access

Acquired additional lands to provide public access to recreational areas and to provide additional outdoor recreation opportunities.

### 5. Assistance to Others

Provided technical assistance and advice on environmental matters to other agencies and organizations.

### 6. Information

Provided public information and education relative to phases of outdoor recreation, ecology and conservation through various mass media as well as personal contacts.

### 7. Compliance with Legislation

Administration of various legislation was implemented including: various environmental acts, acts relating to perpetuation of desired animal species and acts relating to safety and protection of outdoor recreationists.



PROGRAM:   CENTRALIZED SERVICES

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$466,084.00	
Operations.....	73,646.00	*
Equipment.....	150,563.00	
Grants.....	110,997.00	
Capital Outlay.....	<u>8,534.00</u>	

TOTAL.....	<u>\$809,824.00</u>	
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\* Includes \$136,835.00 in vehicle use credits.

Earmarked Revenue.....	<u>\$809,824.00</u>	
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Goal

To provide effective administrative guidance and supporting services to all programs within the department.

Objectives

To continue the high degree of efficiency required in the administration and implementation of responsibilities concerning budgeting and accounting, claim processing, payrolls, property inventory, cash collecting, and license sales.





PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION

Cost

Personal Services.....\$417,814.00  
Operations..... 265,402.00  
Equipment..... 16,552.00  
Capital Outlay..... 7,500.00

TOTAL.....\$707,268.00

Earmarked Revenue.....\$689,299.00  
Federal and Private Revenue..... 17,969.00

TOTAL.....\$707,268.00

Goal

To protect and enhance natural resources that provide outdoor recreational opportunities with emphasis on fish and wildlife. To provide public information relative to habitat preservation, fish and wildlife management, and outdoor recreation. To provide technical information when needed for environmental studies and evaluations.

Objectives

To maintain and wherever possible improve the quality of Montana's environment, especially as it applies to outdoor recreation and production of fish and wildlife.

To pursue existing programs and develop new programs that will assure compatibility between the development of natural resources and a desirable environment.

To appraise Montanans of the need to maintain a quality environment and to provide factual information so they may knowledgeably support beneficial laws and programs.

To cooperate with other state and federal agencies in evaluating major resource developments that have substantial environmental impacts.



PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION (continued)

Achievements

The major problem confronting Montana today is coal and energy development. It is attended by a variety of complex ecological questions remaining to be resolved. To initiate this program, a coal and energy project was developed which is now staffed with a project leader and three staff ecologists. All personnel are serving in a field capacity. This was accomplished without adding a single administrative position. Less than one-third the total cost of this project is coming from license revenue today.

Other accomplishments have been to provide technical assistance and advice to the Environmental Quality Council and such organizations as the Environmental Protection Agency.

Provide technical assistance to the State Land Commission with regard to mining land reclamation.

Cooperate with the State Department of Health in matters dealing with the control and abatement of water pollution.

Respond to requests for assistance by private individuals and companies for environmental assessments and ecological information.

Answer numerous written, spoken, and telephoned requests and inquiries on outdoor recreation and related activities.

Publish a bimonthly, full color publication, MONTANA OUTDOORS, brochures, maps and other informative and education materials.

Assist other divisions in the preparation and dissemination of regulations, reports, and informative literature.

Prepare and provide for public use a library of movie films dealing with outdoor recreation and the environment.

Provide instruction in conservation at various civic organizations, youth camps, and school functions.



PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION (continued)

Performance Indicators

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Hydraulic projects reviewed	70	90
Mined land reclamation plans reviewed (this program terminated January 1, 1973)	64	54 (1/2 yr.)
Environmental impact or negative declarations reviewed	94	256
Environmental impact statements originated in the Fish and Game Department and processed	23	7 E.I.S. 40 Neg. Decs.
Water quality problems investigated	31	38
Oil spills and environmental contamination problems	11	10+
Aquatic invertebrate samples identified		562 sq. ft. smpls. (168,000 specimens)
Pesticide registrations reviewed	6	6
Corps of Engineers discharge permits reviewed		12
Special interdepartmental study committee assignments	3	4
Magazine, MONTANA OUTDOORS, published	117,000	160,500
Movie films produced	4	2
Film library loans	4,000	4,000



PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION (continued)

Performance Indicators (continued)

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Radio and television spots produced to 56 radio and t.v. stations	80	44
Radio and television programs		312 daily 52 weekly
Public inquiries answered	85,000	42,500
News releases mailed	132,060	120,000
Fishing roundups - nat'l. releases	19	19
Youth groups contacted	80	80





PROGRAM:    FISHERIES

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$ 772,445.00
Operations.....	371,358.00
Equipment.....	23,655.00
Capital Outlay.....	<u>20,354.00</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,187,813.00

Earmarked Revenue.....	\$ 887,043.00
Federal and Private Revenue.....	<u>300,770.00</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,187,813.00

Goal

- To provide effective management of Montana's aquatic resources.
- To preserve and enhance fishing opportunities.

Objectives

- To maintain and improve fish habitat.
- To develop, through surveys and investigations, sound and scientific principles for stream and lake management.
- To provide required number of fish for the stocking program by maintaining an efficient fish culture system.
- To formulate fishing regulations.
- To develop a commercial fisheries for rough fish.
- To remove populations of undesirable fish, where practical, from manageable waters by chemical, physical or biological means and restock with suitable game fish or forage species.

Achievements

- Maintained a quality sport fishery.



PROGRAM: FISHERIES (continued)

Achievements (continued)

Developed a westslope cutthroat trout brood stock to capacity of rearing facilities.

Replaced outdated employee residences at fish hatcheries in Great Falls, Lewistown and Arlee.

Produced quotas of catchable trout at proper stocking intervals in 11 months rather than 18 months through exchanges of trout eggs with other states and with federal hatcheries. This procedure has helped to hold down the cost of hatchery operations despite major increases in the price of fish food.

Completed computer program printouts of all fish stocking records for the period 1954 through 1973.

Completed updated computer program listings of all waters in the state.

Performance Indicators

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Commercial Fish Harvest (pounds)	952,942	1,109,695
<u>Fish Planted</u>		
Washoe Park Trout Hatchery	415,490	1,123,505
Jocko River Trout Hatchery	309,687	264,744
Yellowstone River Trout Hatchery	163,215	636,304
Bluewater Springs Trout Hatchery	1,067,077	987,204
Giant Springs Trout Hatchery	720,109	530,866
Big Springs Trout Hatchery	2,349,013	2,486,242
Flathead Lake Salmon Hatchery	<u>3,873,476</u>	<u>3,060,263</u>
TOTAL	<u>8,898,067</u>	<u>9,089,128</u>



PROGRAM:    GAME MANAGEMENT

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$ 808,675.00
Operations.....	491,909.00
Equipment.....	26,101.00
Grants.....	50,205.00
Capital Outlay.....	<u>550,682.00</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$1,927,572.00</u>
Earmarked Revenue.....	\$ 531,228.00
Federal and Private Revenue.....	<u>1,396,344.00</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$1,927,572.00</u>

Goal

To manage and maintain Montana's wildlife resource and its habitat for its intrinsic and ecological values while providing maximum recreational, economic, scientific and educational use opportunities to Montanans and the many other people of the United States who utilize this resource.

Objectives

To inventory the wildlife resource and its habitat and conduct wildlife surveys and research as necessary throughout the state to provide biological information for scientific game management and for any other program that benefits wildlife.

To utilize the information obtained from such surveys and research to produce and maintain a maximum breeding stock of game species on all suitable lands in Montana and utilize the annual crops produced by this stock through recreational use.

To acquire, develop and maintain key areas of wildlife habitat in a manner which will benefit wildlife species and contribute to the recreational, economic and educational needs of people in Montana.

Achievements

During fiscal year 1973, 8,670 acres of big game habitat were



PROGRAM:    GAME MANAGEMENT (continued)

Achievements (continued)

acquired through both purchase and lease. This acreage is the second part of a three segment acquisition program of the Blacktail Range in Beaverhead County. One hundred ten acres of small game habitat were acquired in the Deer Lodge area.

Development and maintenance operations were performed on 221,585 acres of wildlife habitat controlled by the department.

Habitat management to primarily benefit elk occurred on 168,207 acres of big game range.

Payments in lieu of taxes on deeded lands were increased to \$38,859.00. (Fiscal year 1972 was \$34,246.00.)

Wildlife surveys and inventories which provided a biological basis for game season recommendations were conducted throughout the state.

Specific wildlife research was performed concerning the effects of sagebrush control on wildlife, elk-logging relationships, the effects of Libby Dam and attending structures and construction on wildlife populations, and the ecology of several game species.

Performance Indicators

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Game and fur harvested:		
Big Game	136,000	132,750
Game Birds	331,250	339,850
Ducks	164,200	231,300
Geese	8,200	14,200
Fur	48,510	77,530
Logging proposals inspected (includes attending roads)	100 (est.)	100 (est.)





PROGRAM: GAME MANAGEMENT (continued)

Performance Indicators (continued)

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Brush control proposals inspected	150 (est.)	100 (est.)
Drainage proposals inspected	25 (est.)	25 (est.)
Environmental Impact Statements reviewed	10 - 15	10 - 15
Man-days of deer and elk hunting recreation	1,248,727	1,409,860
Game Management Area Development		
Game management areas (acres)	212,672	221,585
Fence maintained (miles)	423	450
Roads and trails maintained (miles)	322	350
Land cultivated (acres)	4,705	4,700
Buildings maintained	100	100
Man-days recreation provided	115,000	120,000 (est.)



PROGRAM:    LAW ENFORCEMENT

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$1,040,063
Operations.....	412,081
Equipment.....	47,356
Capital Outlay.....	<u>-0-</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,499,500

Earmarked Revenue.....	\$1,451,926
Federal and Private Revenue.....	<u>47,574</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,499,500

Goal

To provide effective enforcement of Montana's fish and game laws and regulations.

Objectives

To protect fish and wildlife resources and their habitat from willful or negligent destruction by attaining an acceptable level of compliance to regulations and laws relating to fish, game, parks, and recreation.

To assist with the collection of biological and management information.

To disseminate knowledge and information about fish and wildlife resources, regulations and management to increase public understanding and cooperation in the sound utilization and conservation of these resources.

To promote hunting and fishing access for the public when possible.

To recognize the interest of those who derive their livelihood, pleasure or recreation from the fish and wildlife.

To cooperate with and encourage cooperation among the agencies, groups and individuals concerned with laws respecting wildlife resources.



PROGRAM: LAW ENFORCEMENT (continued)

Objectives (continued)

To assist the people responsible for fish and wildlife management in every way possible to accomplish the department's overall objectives.

To promote recreational safety for public protection and enjoyment.

Achievements

In compliance with the Montana Administrative Procedures Act, compiled department rules, regulations and policies for the Montana Administrative Codes.

An "in field" survey was conducted on sound level readings of snowmobiles to determine the percent of machines in compliance with Montana law.

Boat safety teams worked Montana's lakes and reservoirs to promote safety on our waters and to begin a study of water use.

Implemented guidelines and procedures for the administration of the new checking station law.

Cooperative management agreements were made with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Department of Fish and Game and the Fort Peck and Fort Belknap Indian Reservations.

Develop and implement the programs for conducting the 1973 special license drawings.

The elections of officers for the Outfitters Advisory Council were held and a number of hearings pertaining to license revocations were conducted.

Six warden recruits underwent an extensive training program and probationary period and have been added as permanent game wardens.

Additional training aids were acquired and a new student manual was developed for use in the hunter safety program.



PROGRAM: LAW ENFORCEMENT (continued)

Performance Indicators

<u>Factor</u>	<u>FY 1971-72</u>	<u>FY 1972-73</u>
Creel checks	25,536	43,974
Game bag checks	31,209	29,318
NTA and C forms issued	2,471	3,357
Courtesy citations issued	636	992
Total licenses sold	1,055,843	1,138,280





PROGRAM: PLANNING - January 1, 1973\* - June 30, 1973

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$16,137.00
Operations.....	3,562.00
Equipment.....	1,397.00
Capital Outlay.....	<u>-0-</u>

TOTAL.....\$21,096.00

Earmarked Revenue.....\$21,096.00

Goal

To improve the efficiency and maximize the effectiveness of the Department of Fish and Game in carrying out all of its overall responsibilities and activities.

Objectives

To develop a comprehensive planning system that will best serve to maximize the effectiveness of the Department of Fish and Game in fulfilling its mission.

To produce a comprehensive strategic plan that will reflect the current and future status of the resource supply, the needs of the people, the associated problems, and the actions necessary to best serve the people within the capabilities of the resources.

To incorporate the department's overall operations into a coordinated comprehensive planning system.

Achievements

Considerable orientation was necessary at the onset as the decision was made to convert experienced department personnel into planners. Technical planning assistance was received from the Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife, Booze-Allen Consulting Service, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, the Colorado Division of Wildlife, Montana Department of Planning and Economic Development, and others.

\*The Planning Division was initiated as of this date.



PROGRAM: PLANNING (continued)

Achievements (continued)

The first step in establishing a planning system, identifying and writing the goal or mission of the Department of Fish and Game, was reviewed by the director and staff and adopted.

A review draft of a series of major objectives necessary to express the policies and actions needed to guide the department toward this overall goal was also completed. The plans and planning processes of other states were reviewed and a PERT (Program Evaluation and Review Technique) chart of a comprehensive planning system was adopted and is being modified to fit this department. This system of planning is in accordance with Section 4 of the Montana Environmental Policy Act.

"(b) All agencies of the state shall (1) utilize a systematic, interdisciplinary approach which will insure the integrated use of the natural and social sciences and the environmental design arts in planning and in decision making which may have an impact on man's environment; (2) identify and develop methods and procedures, which will insure that presently unquantified environmental amenities and values may be given appropriate consideration in decision making along with economic and technical considerations;"

A means of communication to introduce the public and department personnel to the concept of comprehensive planning is being developed. Their active participation is necessary for collection of the resource supply and public demand information from which a strategic plan to guide the department's future operations can be created.

Planning personnel have served as liaison to the Department of Natural Resources and other state and federal agencies in coordinating planning activities. With increased emphasis on planning by all agencies it is believed this liaison function will increase.



PROGRAM: RECREATION AND PARKS

Cost

Personal Services.....	\$ 532,924.00
Operations.....	266,583.00
Equipment.....	27,695.00
Capital Outlay.....	<u>357,881.00</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,185,083.00

General Fund.....	\$ 276,720.00
Earmarked Revenue.....	718,841.00
Federal and Private Revenue.....	<u>189,522.00</u>

TOTAL.....\$1,185,083.00

Goal

To conserve the scenic, historic, archaeological, scientific and recreational resources of the state of Montana.

To provide for the use and enjoyment of these resources by the general public -- residents and nonresidents.

To contribute to the cultural, recreational and economic life of the people of Montana.

Objectives

To prepare a statewide Historic Preservation Plan for the purpose of qualifying Montana for federal matching funds from the National Act for the Preservation of Historic Sites.

To prepare a statewide Outdoor Recreation Plan for the purpose of qualifying Montana for the federal matching funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act.

Achievements

The Recreation and Parks Program administers all state parks, state recreation areas, state monuments, state fishing access sites, state recreation waterways and state recreation roads and trails.



PROGRAM: RECREATION AND PARKS (continued)

Achievements (continued)

During the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1973, this program provided public access and outdoor recreation opportunities on 176 individual areas. In addition, 1,298 acres of recreational land were brought into the system; 1,245 by purchase, 12 by gift, and 40 by easement. One house and lot were received by donation within Bannack State Monument.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund administered by this program provides 50-50 matching grants to state and local agencies for acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas. Under this program segment, 20 state funded projects were approved with \$1,005,000.00 being made available, while 35 local projects were approved making \$3,145,000.00 available for local funding and administration. Over \$2,350,000.00 was available in the Land and Water Conservation Fund at the end of the fiscal year.

The National Historic Preservation act of 1966 provided \$31,400.00 to be matched by state and local funds for preservation of historic sites. Three local projects were approved -- two in Fort Benton and one in Wibaux. The remaining funds were allocated to a project in Bannack and to planning.

Performance Indicators

The costs of providing management and service for the recreating public increases each year due to the greater expectations of the recreationist and to the variety and intensification of use. Costs of acquisition and development continue to increase due to inflation.

Requests for financial assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Fund have increased recently to the extent that funding which was available for local government at the end of the fiscal year has now been entirely committed to projects.

The scope of the recreation planning program has been increased to encompass the recreational use of all wildlife resources which in turn is the basis for the long-range comprehensive plan for the Department of Fish and Game.







PROGRAM: RECREATION AND PARKS (continued)

Performance Indicators (continued)

While funding for the historic sites program is extremely limited, local government projects now have increased to a total of four, consisting of two in Fort Benton and one each in Wibaux and Virginia City. These supplement two large scale projects for the state in Bannack.



PROGRAM: PASSENGER TRAMWAY SAFETY BOARD \*

Cost

Personal Services.....	-0-
Operations.....	\$1,968.00
Equipment.....	-0-
Capital Outlay.....	-0-
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TOTAL.....	<u><u>\$1,968.00</u></u>

Goal

To establish rules and regulations pertaining to the registration and safe operation of passenger tramway equipment in the state of Montana and set forth the necessary procedure to implement and enforce the governing standards referred to under this law.

Objectives

To register and inspect all passenger tramways in the state and establish reasonable standards of design, construction, and operational practices. To establish qualifications for certification of tramway design, construction, and inspection engineers.

Achievements

Registration fees were received from twenty-seven (27) operators of passenger tramway equipment. Certification as tramway engineer was granted to ten (10) individuals or companies. There were approximately 73 inspections made by Tramway Board members and tramway inspection engineers. During their short time of operation as a board, great progress was made toward making skiing a safer recreational pursuit in Montana.

\* Administration of this program was transferred to the Department of Administration by legislative act, July 1, 1973.



# PROGRAM INVENTORY AND COST ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Department of Fish and Game  
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1973

	<u>Fiscal Year 1972-1973</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 1971-1972</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
Centralized Services Program	\$ 809,824.00	\$1,017,135.00	(\$207,311.00)
Environment and Information Program	707,268.00	738,164.00	( 30,896.00)
Fisheries Management Program	1,187,814.00	1,028,757.00	159,057.00
Law Enforcement Program	1,499,500.00	1,262,423.00	237,077.00
Game Management Program	1,927,572.00	1,352,500.00	575,072.00
Recreation and Parks Program	1,185,083.00	1,012,420.00	172,663.00
Planning Program	21,096.00	-0-	21,096.00
Passenger Tramway Safety Board	<u>1,968.00</u>	<u>1,467.00</u>	<u>501.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$7,340,125.00</u>	<u>\$6,412,866.00</u>	<u>\$927,259.00</u> *

\* Increase due to change from cash basis to modified accrual accounting.











